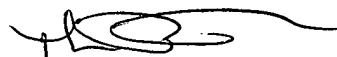


REMARKS

Claims 110-115, 117 and 118 are pending. Claims 110, 115 and 118 have been amended to correct an inadvertent typographical error in the spelling of the term "metformin". No new matter has been added. As the amendment is merely to clarify that which was originally intended by the claim, Applicant respectfully presents that the scope of the claims has not be changed by this amendment.

In view of the above, it is respectfully submitted that all objections and/or rejections are overcome. Thus, a Notice of Allowance is respectfully requested.

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ATTACHMENT - Marked-Up Claim

110. (Thrice Amended) A method of treating syndrome X comprising administering to a patient exhibiting symptoms of syndrome X a pharmaceutical composition comprising a pharmaceutically effective dosage of a compound selected from the group consisting of somatostatin or one of its analogs, diazoxide or one of its analogs, cyclothazide or one of its analogs and metformin [metaformin].

115. (Thrice Amended) A method according to Claim 110, wherein the amount of metformin [metaformin] applied does not exceed 2.5 g/day divided into 2-3 portions.

118. (Amended) A method according to Claim 110, wherein the compound is metformin [metaformin].